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### PROMINENT DECORATOR DIES AT BAPTIST SANITARIUM.

August H. Becker, Who Painted the Ceiling of the Merchant's Exchange, Succembs After Illness.

August H. Becker, who was for many years a leading decorator and artist, died at the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium on Taylor avenue early yesterday morning. Mr. Becker was born at Bonne, Germany, nearly sixty-eight years ago. He came to St. Louis when 3 years old and early in life his artistic talents were so manifest that he won the friendship and tutelage of an artist named Pomerade. who at that time was the leading decora-

Later in life he formed an association



-Protograph by Strause. AUGUST H. BECKER.

Painter of pictures in dome of Courthouse with his brother, Charles Wimar, who with his brother, Charles Wimar, who was coming into prominence, and, to-gother, they worked out many beautiful schemes of decoration which are reconsized as being equal to anything of the kind in the country. Notable among these is the decoration of the old Courthouse, the pictures in the dame being still sought by art lovers for their merit. The decorations at the Sputhern Hotel, both before and after the fire, were executed by Becker, as was the colling of the Merchants' Exchange, which Becker's

on, Wimar A. Becker, has just renovated or the Veiled Prophet's ball. The decorations in the Mercantile Li-rary, the Columbia Club, the residence of Adolphus Busch and scores of St. of Adolphus Busch and scores of St. Louis's most artistic homes, are the work of August Becker, and testify to his versatility and the excellence of his art. For the last few years Mr. Becker has been transferring to canvas many of the charcoal sketches of Western life by Charles Whmar. These consist of scenes in the Yellowstone Park, Indian and other Western rutjects.

Mr. Becker leaves a son, Wimar, and one daughter, Mrs. J. M. Grant of No. 411s Page avenue, from whose residence the funeral will tal.: place at 2:39 o'clock this afternoon.

MINERS RETURN TO WORK. Strike in Springfield Subdistrict Called Off.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Springfield, Id., Oct. 3 -- Miners of the Springfield subdistrict who suspended op-erations yesterday because the operators had failed to install washrooms in accordance with the provisions of a law containes with the provisions of a law enacted at the last General Assembly either returned to work to-day or will do so next Monday morning.

Cificials of the State organization of United Mine Workers declined to give their official sanction to the strike. It was decided by the State officers that a strike on account of a grievance of this character, would be a violation of the State agreement between miners and operators. The matter, they hold, must take its own course.

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named gentlemen as members of the Ad-visory Committee of the National Good ship fleed sufferers was allowed. This

### Found Dead Beside Railrond.

Ware, Tex., Oct. 3.—The dead body of an unknown white man was found fif-teen miles out on the Houston and Texas Central Railroad this afternoon. A note supposed to have been written by him in-dicates that he committed suicide, but it was unsigned. The officers are holding the body for identification.

### Sixty-First Wedding Anniversary.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Virginia, Ill., Oct. 1.-Thomas Willams and wife to-day celebrated the sixty-first anniversary of their wedding, which oc-curred in Oldham, England, in 1842. Their

## six children are all living. The family has lived in Cass County since 1859. THERE IS BUT ONE BEST.

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# TO COUNTY CLERK.

St. Clair Committee Alleges That George K. Thomas Failed to Account for \$19,104.69.

HOLDS OFFICE EIGHT YEARS.

Official Claims He Can Explain Differences When He Looks Up Individual Errors Enumerated.

County Clerk George K. Thomas of St. Clair County was charged yesterday in a report to the County Board of Supervisors by a special committee of that body with being short to the extert of \$10,104.60. during his eight and one-haif years' ten-

The report was received by the Board of Supervisors and was given to the Pinance Committee, with instructions and full power to adjust the differences between the County Clerk and the Board of Henry Marr Attempted to Commit Supervisors.

expert bookkeeper.

The committee which had in charge the investigation of Mr. Thomas's office stated that it found a poor system of bookkeeping employed there. It also stated that Mr. Thomas had given contracts for printing to an East St. Louis paper in which he was financially interested, and that he did not give his full time to his

The report, summarized, charges differences between the reports as made to the Board of Supervisors and Mr. Thomas's explained to the committee as follows:

Marriage licenses
Other earnings of the County Cleck
due the county
Earnings of the Sheriff, collected by
the County Clerk and still in Clerk's
hands, but belonging to the county.

Witness and other miscellaneous free
due witnessey and others.

Publication fees, owing to newspapers.
Earnings of County Clerk due the county, as shown by Clerk's report of
May 1, 1902.

...\$10,194.69 Mr. Thomas stated last evening that he thought that he would be able to explain the differences when he looked up the in-dividual errors as referred to by the spe-cial committee in supplemental reports.

Goes to Juil Alone.

Joseph Haus, a farmhand, who has served several terms on the Belleville rock Official Forecast for To-Day and Joseph Haus, a farmhand, who has pile for hilarious conduct while intoxicated, was yesterday permitted to take his mittimus committing him to the Workhouse to the Sheriff without the formality of an official ercott. He is sentenced to serve out a fice of \$55.

Belleville Marriage Licenses. Marriage licenses were issued in Belle tille yesterday to Ralph Fellin, 26, and Ella Condon, 20, both of Mascoutah; Henry Orr. 23, and Jennie Jenkins, 25, both of Lovejoy: I. W. Bosanko, 24, Belleville, and Katle Wolf. 19 New Athens; Charlie Vet-ter, 27, Belleville, and Barbara Herpin, 23,

Edwardsville Notes.

Marriage licenses were insued at Edwards-ville yesterday to: Henry Howard, II. and Mary Redoger, IS. both of Collinaville: Joseph Block, II. and Edna Rode, II. both of St. Louis: John F. Wick, II. and Mary I. Schmitz, II. both of Highland. 2. both of Highland.

—In the County Court Edward Collins pleaded rully to steeling a pair of pants from the Bollmann Mercantile Company and was sensed by Judge J. B. Hillisotter to ten days in juli and to pay a fine of to.

Maps of the latest pattern have been ordered for every grade.

The City Council of Collineville has passed an ordinance providing for the absorption of the numerous outlying solditious and subdivisions. The special election is set for Tuesday. November 3, and if the measure pusses it will result in an increase of the population of the city from 4.00 to 7.000.

On D. Wilson of St. Louis, who is managing the Farmers' jubilee for the St. Louis World's Fair, presided at a convention of farmers in Edwardsville yesterday, at which delegates were named to the National Convention in St. Louis, October 14. The meeting was addressed by James L. Hopkins, Charles T. Lincoln and Mrs. Sarah L. Green of St. Louis, and Robert C. Morries of Troy, Ill., president of the International Farmers' Union.

—Five Edwardsville youths have commenced the study of medicine in St. Louis schools. They are Howard E. Wharff, Henry H. Keiler, Eugene Wahl, Jr., John H. Butter, Jr., and Edigen Merwin.

December ausgraviar communion services will

Jerseyville Notes. Kirby of Jerseyville went to Mari-

springheld, Ill., yesterday.

-Owen Ford of St. Louis was a visitor yes-terday in Jerseyville.

-The last will and testament of the late George F. Garber of Jerseyville was admitted to probate yesterday by Judge Charles B. White in the Jersey County Probate Court and Mary C. Garber, the widow, was appointed executrix.

LOFTUS SHOOTS GIRL TWICE. Luiu Dinan is Painfully Wounded by

Luiu Dinan is Painfully Wounded by Jenious Admirer.

Laiu Dinan a dining-room girl in the employ of Thomas J. Hickey, who conducts a hotel at No. 474 North Front street, East St. Louis, was shot in the ankie and through the fieshy part of her left arm late Friday night by John Lottus. He was arrested yesterday morning and was hed on 200 bonds by Justice of the Peace Boyne on a charge of assault with intent to kill. The warrant was sworn out by Mr. Hickey, as the girl, he says, is confined to her bed and was unable to leave the house.

Friday night Luiu Dinan was entertaining Ben Humphrey in the rear of the hotel. The couple were sitting on the porch, when Lottus appeared. It is charged that he did not say a word, but drew a revolver and commenced firing.

Charles Utely Died Suddenly.

Charles Utely Died Suddenly. Charles Utely, son of C. R. Utely of turne's home last night.

## SHORTAGE CHARGED ADMIRAL SCHLEY ENDORSES PE-RU-NA.

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literature on catarrh.

Knobnoster, Mo., died suddenly at No. 27 Pearl street, East St. Louis, early yester-day morning. Utely was in business at the National Stock Yards. At the inquest neuralgla of the heart was said to have caused his death.

Rise and Fall of the River Por 24 hours ending at 1 a. m. Stations.

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Stations, Oct. 1

JUMPED PROM PERRY BOAT.

Suicide at Venice. Henry Marr attempted to commit suicide C. E. Chamberiain, T. E. Dempcy and yesterday morning by jumping from the Louis Sheets. They were assisted by an expert bookkeeper.

According to Collector Harvey, Marr was in the custody of Policenan Jones of Venice, and was being taken to St. Louis. When he reached the boat he ran across the deck and sprang into the river. Harvey says a boat was lowered by the crew and rescued the man, although he fought his rescuers. East St. Louis Items.

A. Wolsendorf entertained the Golden

-Ed Worner of Dallag Mo., is visiting Great Prophet Frank C. Smith and a trib-Red Men departed last night for Freeburg institute a tribe of Red Men there. -Mrs. M. S. Hutton of Old Orchard, Mo., is visiting in East St. Louis. Alton Notes and Personals.

-The Reverend J. F. Howard, paster of the First Explict Church at White Hall, III., was a visitor in Upper Aiton yesterday. -Edward Southard of St. Leuis is a visitor in Upper Alton. Upper Alton.

—H. J. Daubman of Upper Alton has gone to Grafton, Ill. -C. A. James of Upper Alton has returned from Marton III

from Mattoon, Ill.

-Robert Curdle, Sr., of Alton has returned from Chicago.

-The Reverend M. L. Cele will preach his furewell sermion this merning on 'The ideal Man' at the First M. E. Church at Upper Alton. The Reverend Mr. Cole will remove to Hvoken Arrow, Ok., where he will accept the pastorate of the First M. E. Church. -Doctor L. M. Bowman of Alton has returned from a tour of the Southwest. The funeral of Mrs. Suman Thompson, hose death occurred on Thursday at the home her daughter Mrs. J. W. Ashiock, in Alom, ok place pesterfay morning at 10 o'clock from a Fosterburg Baptist Church to the Foster-try Cemeter. Z. B. Job of Alton has returned from Chi-

Good Roads Committee.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Jefferson City, Mo., Oct. 3.—Governor Dockery has appointed the following named gentlemen as members of the Ad-

The local Cigarmakers' Union held a most-ing yesterday afternoon, County yesterday afternoon with a good trip.

To Morrow.

Washington, Oct. 1 .- Forecast: lilinote-Showers and cooler Sunday. Monday, Inwa-Fair Sunday; cooler in southeast per-tion. Monday, fair.

Arkansas Showers and cooler Sunday. Monday, fair.
Oklahoma and Indian Territory-Showers, fol-lowed by fair and cooler Sunday. Monday, fair.
Western Texas — Fair and cooler Sunday.
Monday fair.
Nebraska—Fair Sunday and Monday; warmer
Monday.
Kansus—Fair Sunday and Monday.

Local Report.

EDWARD H. BOWIE.

Government Report.

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EDWARD H. BOWIE. Blackburn Voits St. Louis. Cash Blackburn, warrant clerk of the

State Auditor's office, spent yesterday in the gity-visiting political friends. He re-

RIVER NEWS. .

Rise and Fall of the Rivers

L. H. DAINGERFIELD.

River Forecast. The Missouri east of Kamasa City will continue to fall at present rate for 36 hours. The Mississippi from Hamnibal to the mouth of the Missouri will continue to rise; at St. Louis the tendency will be to rise slightly till Monday.

River and Business. Harbor gauges yesterday marked 17.4 feet; no change being indicated for 24 hours. Business along the Leves pesterday was mod-

To-Day's Weather. Probably fair.

Arrived. 

-The Hald Engle arrived yesterday morning from Peoria with 3,500 bervels of apples, the largest alignment received this season. She de-parted on the return in the afternoon. parted on the values in the afternoon.

The pleasure steamer litter, towing the houseboat Wangerer, arrived yesterday from Clinton, is, with Lafayette Lemb and party aboard. They will be joined to-day by Dwight Lamb, who will arrive in the yacht Celeste.

The Columbia arrived yesterday afternoon with a good trip and departed on the return in the afternoon. -The Sidney arrived yesterday morning from Burlington and departed for Keekuk in the afternoon.

The Chester was in and out from Chester preferral with good parronage both ways.

The steamer Lucille Noland, which sunk recently near Memphis, has been raised and repaired, and will be placed in service on October 18.

Captain Joe McCullough is piloting with Captain Henry Purter on the Letus Hims.

-The Tennesses River Packet Company is waiting for a rise in the Tennessee River to send the steamer City of Memphis out. The Columbia will be held at St. Louis Tuesday night until after the Veiled Prophet parade. anade.

A good crop of apples is reported along the pper river, and it is expected that the pack-ts will bring in heavy cargoes next week.

By Telegraph. REPUBLIE SPECIALS.
Chester, III., Oct. 2.—River on a stand; gauge 14.2 feet. Weather fair and warm. Boats down: The Bees Lee at 1 a m., Cape Girardeau at 1 a m. and Lotus Sima at 2 a m. Up; The Chester at 19 p. m., Nick Sauer and barke at 19 a. m. and Russell Lord at 6 a. m. Cairo, Hi., Oct. 1.—River gauge reads B.L. showing a rise of 1 during the last 24 hours, showing a rise of 1 during the last 24 hours, Weather partir cleady and warm. The Georgia Lies arrived from Memeloks at 2 a. m. and departed for St. Louis at 11 a. m. with a good trip. The Fred Hartway arrived from the Lower Miscissippl at 10 a. m. with 4 barges of lumber. She returned down the river at 4 p. m. The Beaver arrived from the lower river at 9 a. m. with 5 barges of lumber. The Charlotte Boecksler arrived from the Lower Mississippl at 10 cfocks with 1 barge of wood. The Dick Fowler brought down as excursion to-day and returned to Fadorah at 10 p. m. The Herman Francks arrived from the Lower Mississippl at 2 p. m. with 2 barges of logs. The Rees Lee arrived from the Lower Mississippl at 10 p. m. with 2 barges of logs. The Rees Lee arrived from St. Louis at 410 p. m. with a fact rin. She will depart for Memuhis to-night. The Avaina serviced from Cincinnati at 7.00 p. m. with a good trip.

cloudy and warm. Hurlington, in. Get 2.—The river continues to rive slowly. The stage in 11 feet 8% inches awarder mark, a rise of 2% inches. The weather is warmer and threatening rain. The Eleien from Daverport, in and cut. from Daverport, in and cut.

turns Monday.

New Orleans, La., Oct. 2.—Weather partly cloudy and warm. Arrived: Natchez, the Bends. Esparted: City of St. Louis for St. Louis, Natchez, the Bends.

Wheeling, W. Va., Oct. 2.—River 2 feet 2 mebes, failing. Weather cloudy and warm. Down: H. K. Bedford, Parkersburg, 11 a. m. Louisville, Ky., Oct. 2.—River failing; 2.5 in smal; 1.5 on falls; 5 feet below locks. Clear nd pleasant.

Pittaburg, Pa., Oc., J.-River 2.5 feet; sta-lonary, Cloudy and warmer. Cincinnati. O., Oct. L-Biver stationary; 4.9 feet. Clear and warm. Evanswille, Ind., Oct. 2.—River 2.7 fept. Clear and warmer.

RUDOLPH WILL CASE APPEALED. Whether an Insane Man Is Legally

Dead Is a Question Raised. An appeal to the Supreme Court was filed yesterday in Belleville in the case of others in a partition suit which involves others in a partition suit which involves the construction of the will of the late William F. Rudolph, who died at the Insane Asylum at Anna about a year wo.

The case bears a legal point which has become of interest to the legal fraternity of the county. It is whether the grand-children of Mr. Rudolph are entitled to a share of the estate, which he devised should be divided among his four children, one of whom was the father of these children. The father of the children died after the will was made and after Mr. Rudolph was declared insane. The case in the Circuit Court was decided against the grandchildren and they appealed it.

The will of Mr. Rudolph was made about twenty-seven years ago, while he was in sound mind. It provided that his widow abouid have a life interest in the estate. dead. The will, they may, should have been probated then. As the son did not did until after his father had been adjudged insane and legally was dead, they hold that the estate should be divided as the father had directed and that the share going to his dead son should go to the latter's heirs.

New Incorporations,

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Springfield, Ill., Oct. 3 .- Certificates of incorporation were issued to-day by Sec-retary of State Rose as follows: The Home Medicine Company, La Harpe; cap-tial, 180,000; manufacturing proprietary medi-cines incorporators—Juhn H. Rungate, Clar-ence A. Kappenberger and I. N. Hurdle, The F. W. Mally Orchard Company, Quincy; capital, 190,000; raising fruits, vegetables and tobacco. Incorporators—Herbert L. Lousdale, Alfred H. Hoger and Charles H. Williams, The Le Roy Mercantile Company, Le Roy; capital, 180,000; mercantile business. Incorporatincorporation were issued to-day by Sec-

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